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Update Alert

Stocks for both OR and WA were corrected. Potatoes for processing through April 1 for WA and OR were also adjusted.

US Potato Stocks Up 10 Percent from April 2007

The 13 major potato States held 134 million cwt of potatoes in storage April 1, 2008, up 10 percent from a year ago and 15 percent above April 1, 2006. Potatoes in storage accounted for 33 percent of the 2007 fall storage States' production, up 2 percentage points from April 1, 2007. Klamath Basin stocks totaled 1.15 million cwt on April 1, 2008, down 18 percent from a year ago. Klamath Basin stocks include potatoes stored in California and Klamath County, Oregon. Potato disappearance, at 266 million cwt, was 1 percent below April 1, 2007 but up 3 percent from 2006. Season-to-date shrink and loss, at 21.6 million cwt, was down 3 percent from the same date in 2007 but up 7 percent from 2006.

Potatoes: Production and total stocks of fall potatoes, 2006 and 2007 crops ¹

State	Crop of 2006			Crop of 2007		
	Production	Total stocks April 1, 2007	April 1 stocks as % of production	Production	Total stocks April 1, 2008	April 1 stocks as % of production
	<i>1,000 cwt.</i>	<i>1,000 cwt.</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>1,000 cwt.</i>	<i>1,000 cwt.</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Oregon ²	18,533	7,600	41	20,238	9,200	45
Idaho	128,915	46,500	36	131,650	51,000	39
Washington ²	89,900	21,000	23	102,300	32,500	32
California	3,870	800	21	4,223	600	14
Colorado	22,686	9,000	40	20,981	7,500	36
Maine	17,980	7,700	43	16,530	6,200	38
Michigan	14,190	1,800	13	14,700	2,900	20
Minnesota	20,400	6,100	30	20,680	6,400	31
Montana	3,518	2,300	65	3,696	1,900	51
Nebraska	8,730	2,400	27	8,051	2,100	26
New York	5,700	500	9	5,216	300	6
North Dakota	25,480	7,900	31	23,660	6,000	25
Wisconsin	29,370	7,400	25	28,160	7,000	25
13 State Total ²	389,272	121,000	31	400,085	133,600	33
Klamath Basin	-	1,400	-	-	1,150	-

¹ Stocks include processor holdings and most of the seed to plant following year's crop. Seed usage for all seasons in 2007 totaled 26.4 million cwt.

² Revised.

Fall Potatoes: Production and stocks, Oregon and major states total, 2003-2007

Location and crop year	Production	Total stocks						
		Dec 1	Following year					
			Jan 1	Feb 1	Mar 1	Apr 1	May 1	Jun 1
	<i>1,000 cwt.</i>	<i>1,000 cwt.</i>	<i>1,000 cwt.</i>	<i>1,000 cwt.</i>	<i>1,000 cwt.</i>	<i>1,000 cwt.</i>	<i>1,000 cwt.</i>	<i>1,000 cwt.</i>
Oregon								
2003	20,991	18,000	15,800	13,500	11,000	8,400	5,500	2,900
2004	19,775	17,000	14,500	11,800	9,000	6,200	3,900	2,100
2005	22,023	19,000	16,500	14,500	11,500	8,500	5,000	2,300
2006	18,533	16,000	13,900	11,700	9,700	7,600	4,800	2,300
2007 ³	20,238	18,000	16,100	13,900	11,600	9,200	-	-
13 Major states								
2003 ¹								
2004 ¹	403,181	267,900	233,590	200,230	166,280	126,110	85,000	46,020
2005	403,587	271,100	236,700	203,490	168,020	128,900	88,550	51,700
2006	374,298	253,800	220,500	189,100	155,500	115,700	75,900	41,560
2007 ^{2,3}	389,272	259,300	226,100	192,600	159,700	121,000	79,050	44,460
	400,085	270,100	237,500	206,200	171,800	133,600	-	-

¹ 15 major States.

² December 1, 2007, stocks revised.

³ April 1 revised.

Processing Potatoes

Processors in the 9 major States have used 140 million cwt of potatoes this season, down 4 percent from the same period last year but up 5 percent from 2 years ago. Dehydrating usage accounted for 29.3 million cwt of the total processing, down 9 percent from last year but 10 percent above the same period in 2006.

Potatoes: Used for processing, selected areas, 2005, 2006 and 2007 crops ¹

Storage season	To Dec 1	To Jan 1	To Feb 1	To Mar 1	To Apr 1	To May 1	To June 1	Entire season
	<i>1,000 cwt.</i>	<i>1,000 cwt.</i>	<i>1,000 cwt.</i>	<i>1,000 cwt.</i>	<i>1,000 cwt.</i>	<i>1,000 cwt.</i>	<i>1,000 cwt.</i>	<i>1,000 cwt.</i>
Idaho and Oregon-(Malheur County)								
2005-2006	22,840	29,300	35,970	43,300	50,820	57,830	65,030	77,360
2006-2007	27,090	34,070	41,350	48,940	56,650	63,680	71,220	85,630
2007-2008	26,230	33,260	40,220	48,570	55,480	-	-	-
Washington and Oregon-(other areas)								
2005-2006	30,310	35,895	40,545	48,290	55,320	61,855	69,360	78,550
2006-2007	30,980	37,060	42,190	49,930	56,690	63,170	70,410	77,355
2007-2008 ²	28,995	34,675	39,700	47,390	53,645	-	-	-
Maine ³								
2005-2006	1,365	1,880	2,485	3,090	3,800	4,450	5,130	6,825
2006-2007	1,755	2,360	2,910	3,465	4,185	4,810	5,470	7,560
2007-2008	1,700	2,170	2,815	3,440	3,985	-	-	-
Other states ⁴								
2005-2006	11,055	14,070	17,005	19,895	22,520	25,270	27,740	35,535
2006-2007	14,270	17,695	21,290	24,545	28,040	31,370	34,830	43,315
2007-2008	15,040	17,560	20,890	23,955	26,605	-	-	-
Total								
2005-2006	65,570	81,145	96,005	114,575	132,460	149,405	167,260	198,270
2006-2007	74,095	91,185	107,740	126,880	145,565	163,030	181,930	213,860
2007-2008 ²	71,965	87,665	103,625	123,355	139,715	-	-	-

¹ Total quantity received and used for processing regardless of the state in which the potatoes were produced. Total excludes quantities used for potato chips in ME and WI.

² "To April 1" revised.

³ Includes Maine grown potatoes only.

⁴ CO, MN, NV, ND, and WI.

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